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For: IN-PLANE SWITCHING LCD DEVICE

Examiner: Jeanne A. DiGrazio

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the June 17, 2004 Office Communication, and the February 25, 2004 Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects Species B, the second preferred embodiment (Figure 13), claims 29-36 and method claims 37-46, drawn to an in-plane switching liquid crystal display device and method wherein the outermost common electrode and the data line are on different layers and wherein a portion of the outermost common electrode overlaps the data line such that no black matrix is required.

Applicant respectfully notes claims 1-28 were cancelled in the First Preliminary Amendment filed August 29, 2003. Accordingly, claims 29-47 remain pending in the present application and were thus constructively elected in Applicant's response filed on March 25, 2004.

An action on the merits of claims 29-47 and a Notice of Allowance thereof are respectfully requested. If the Examiner deems that a telephone conversation would further the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (202) 496-7500.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time, or any other fees required to complete the filing of this response, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0911. Please credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-0911. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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